sale of the business or commercial endeavor for which the loan is made.

(c) Loans to compensated directors. A credit union may not grant a member business loan to a compensated director unless the board of directors approves granting the loan and the compensated director is recused from the decision making process.

## § 723.3 What are the requirements for construction and development lending?

Except as provided in §723.4 or unless your Regional Director grants a waiver, loans granted for the construction or development of commercial or residential property are subject to the following additional requirements.

- (a) The aggregate of the net member business loan balances for all construction and development loans must not exceed 15% of net worth. In determining the aggregate balances for purposes of this limitation, a credit union may exclude any loan made to finance the construction of a single-family residence if a prospective homeowner has contracted to purchase the property and may also exclude a loan to finance the construction of one single-family residence per member-borrower or group of associated member-borrowers, irrespective of the existence of a contractual commitment from a prospective homeowner to purchase the propertv.
- (b) The borrower must have a minimum of 25% equity interest in the project being financed, the value of which is determined by the market value of the project at the time the loan is made, except that this requirement will not apply in the case of a loan made to finance the construction of a single-family residence if a prospective homeowner has contracted to purchase the property and in the case of one loan to a member-borrower or group of associated member-borrowers to finance the construction of a singlefamily residence, irrespective of the existence of a contractual commitment from a prospective homeowner to purchase the property. Instead, the collateral requirements of §723.7 will apply; and
- (c) The funds may be released only after on-site, written inspections by

qualified personnel and according to a preapproved draw schedule and any other conditions as set forth in the loan documentation.

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## § 723.4 What other regulations apply to member business lending?

- (a) The provisions of §701.21(a) through (g) and part 702 of this chapter apply to member business loans granted by credit unions to the extent they are consistent with this part. Except as required by part 741 of this chapter, federally insured State-chartered credit unions are not required to comply with the provisions of §701.21(a) through (g) of this chapter.
- (b) If a federal credit union makes a member business loan as part of a Small Business Administration guaranteed loan program with loan requirements that are less restrictive than those required by NCUA, then the federal credit union may follow the loan requirements of the relevant Small Business Administration guaranteed loan program to the extent they are consistent with this part. A federally insured State-chartered credit union that is subject to this part and makes a member business loan as part of a Small Business Administration guaranteed loan program with loan requirements that are less restrictive than those required by NCUA may follow the loan requirements of the relevant Small Business Administration guaranteed loan program to the extent they are consistent with this part if its state supervisory authority has determined that the credit union has authority to do so under State law.
- (c) The collateral and security requirements of §723.3 and §723.7 do not apply to member business loans made as part of a Small Business Administration guaranteed loan program.

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## § 723.5 How do you implement a member business loan program?

(a) *Generally.* The board of directors must adopt specific business loan policies and review them at least annually. The board must also use the services of an individual with at least two years